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Channels

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STATEMENT AS TO THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

On April 23, 2007, Examiner Alan S. Chen and Applicant's representative, David Goldman, discussed via telephone, independent claims 1, 17 and 33 of the above-identified patent application. In particular, Applicant's representative inquired about the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, for the terms "near" and "low". An agreement with respect to the claims was reached and per the agreement, Applicant's representative filed an amendment on April 25, 2007, removing the word "near" from the phrase "in near real-time with low latency". Applicant's representative believes that this amendment obviates the §112, second paragraph rejection. Accordingly, Applicant's representative

requests that the Examiner reconsider and remove the §112, second paragraph rejection of claims 1, 3-17 and 19-34.

If the Examiner has any questions regarding the present patent application, the Examiner can call Applicant's attorney, David C. Goldman, at telephone number (518) 449 0044.

Respectfully submitted,

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